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MEMORANDUM FOR:

Chief, Information and Management Support

Staff, OL

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FROM:

Chief, Supply Division, OL

SUBJECT:

President's Private Sector Survey on Cost Control

REFERENCE:

Memo for C/SD/OL from C/IMSS/OL, dtd 30 Jan 84,

same subject, OL 4023-84

The Supply Division has reviewed the subject Survey with particular emphasis on Section IIC, Inventory Management. Although the Survey addresses the complexities and bureaucratic inefficiencies of the huge DOD and GSA systems, most of the conclusions reached and recommendations made are applicable to Agency operations. Many programs, such as accurate inventory demand forecasting and inventory purification, are actively and effectively attacked in the normal course of daily Agency supply operations; other initiatives, such as bar code applications, modernization of the ADP environment and investigating "Tailoring" commercial software packages to support the system, are being pursued with the LIMS initiative. All of these activities, we believe, have been defined as requirements for LIMS. It is accordingly suggested that the ODP LIMS Project Office be requested to review and comment on each of the Survey's recommendations to ensure this modernization project has the benefit of cross checking for system requirements.

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